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#### ABSTRACT

The present invention generally relates to a method of monitoring a safe comprising the steps of providing (402) an electronic lock for the safe; receiving (404) information from a security device in an area proximate to the safe; and making (406) security information from the security device during a transaction with the electronic lock. According to another aspect of the invention, an apparatus for monitoring a safe comprises an electronic lock (144) incorporated in a safe; a control unit (142) coupled to the electronic lock; and a security system (148) coupled to the control unit.